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G.O. No. 1347-F. H.,

DATED 22-6-1932.

[Despatch Abstract.]

Legislative Council question - Admission of picketers into the Wenlock Hospital, Mangalore for injuries sustained.

Starred Question. Council Office,

3-3-1932.

MR. U. C. SUBRAMANIAH BHAT.

THE LOCAL SELF-GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENT.

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*(1316.) Will the hon. the Minister for Local Self-Government ~~department~~ be pleased to state:-

(a) whether it is a fact that Duggappa Suvarna and other peaceful picketers were admitted into the Wenlock Hospital, Mangalore, with injuries due to beating by the Police on the 24th February 1932; if so, whether their injuries and their condition were recorded in the accident register maintained in the hospital; and

(b) whether the hon. the Minister will be pleased to place a copy of the same on the table of the House with a statement from the District Medical Officer regarding the severity of the injuries inflicted and their approximate number?

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L.e. an. No. 1216/treatment of certain congress volunteers in the Wenlock Hospital, Mangalore

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Memo No. 9219-102 OH. dt 9.3.32

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A copy of L.e. an. No. 1216 1209 is forwarded to the S.S. for ~~early remarks~~ furnishing information on the points referred to in clauses (a) & (b) of the question.

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The S.G. (with a copy of the L.e. an)

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Legislative Council Question No. 1316 - Treatment of Congress volunteers in the Wenlock Hospital.

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R. No. 416 Hospitals of 32.

Station Madras *Dated the* 18th March 1932.

From (Name) Major-General C.A.Sprawson, C.I.E, V.H.S, I.M.S.,

(Designation) Surgeon-General with the Government of Madras,

To The Secretary to the Government of Madras,
Local Self-Government,
Public Health Department.

Sir,

Reference:-Government Memorandum No.9219-1D2 P.H., dated 9th March 1932.

The following remarks on the points referred to in clauses (a) and (b) of the Legislative Council question No.1316 are furnished.

Clause (a)

Duggappa Suvarna and two others were admitted in the Govt. Head-quarters (Wenlock) Hospital, Mangalore, on 24th February 1932. Their injuries were recorded in the accident register.

Clause (b)

Copies of the entries made in the Accident register in respect of the above three patients are herein enclosed

for the information of Government. The accident register is treated as a confidential record of a professional nature, vide para 769 of the Civil Medical Code. In the opinion of the Superintendent the injuries on the patients were not of a serious nature.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

P. R. Warrier

Personal Assistant

to Surgeon-General with the Govt. of Madras.

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Extract from the Accident Book of the Govt. Headquarter Hospital, Mangalore.

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(1) Name:- Duggappa Suvarna

Date & hour:- 24-2-1932 11 A.M.

Age:- 24 years

Sex:- Male

Caste:- Hindu

Nature of injury:- Said to have been caused by beating with canes at 9.30 A.M.

(1) A contusion with a stick mark on back of right arm

(2) A contusion with two abraded stick marks on back of right wrist.

(3) A contusion with two stick marks on back of left arm

(4) Contusion with a number of stick marks on back of left shoulder and upper part of back.

(5) A contusion with stick marks on loin.

(6) Contusion with a stick mark on right shoulder blade.

(7) A small contusion with an abrasion on upper part of ~~left~~ pinna of ~~ear~~ the left ear

(8) Contusion with number of stick marks on both buttocks.

(9) Contusion with abraded stick marks on back of both thighs

(10) Contusion with number of abraded marks on back of left leg.

(11) Contusion with two abraded marks on back of right leg. in front

(12) Contusion with abraded stick marks of left thigh ~~front~~

(13) Contusion with stick marks on front of right thigh.

(2)

Date & Hour:- 24-2-1932 11 A.M.

Name:- Vamana Meerdan

Age:- 19 years

Sex:- Male

Caste:- Hindu

Nature of injury:- Said to have been caused by beating with sticks at 9.30 A.M.

(1) Contusion with abraded stick marks on back of right arm

(2) Two small abrasions on back of right elbow.

(3) Diffuse contusion with number of stick marks all over the back.

(4) Diffuse contusions with number of stick marks on both buttocks.

(5) Diffuse contusions with number of abraded stick marks throughout back of both legs and thighs.

(6) Contused stick marks on outer aspect of left foot.

(7) Contusion with number of stick marks on front of left thigh.

(8) Contusion with stick marks on front of right thigh.

(3) Date & Hour:- 24-2-1932, 11 A.M.

Name:- Babu

Age:- 32 years

Sex:- Male

Caste:- Hindu

Nature of injury:- Said to have been caused by beating with sticks at 9.30 A.M.

(1) A contusion with two stick marks on right side of chest.

(2) Diffuse contusion with number of blistered stick marks on whole of right hand

(3) Diffuse contusion with number of abraded stick marks on whole of right leg.

(4) Diffuse contusion with number of abraded stick marks on whole of left leg.

(5) Diffuse contusions with number of stick marks on both buttocks.

(6) A contused stick mark on right shoulder blade

(7) A stick mark on left shoulder blade

(True copy)

Superintendent
17-3-1932

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L.S.G.(P.H.)Deptt.

Legislative Council Question No. 1316

1209

Question.

Answer.

Mr. U.C.Subramania Bhat.

Will the Hon'ble the Minister for Local Self-Government be pleased to state:-

(a) whether it is a fact that Duggappa Suvarna and other peaceful picketers were admitted into the Wenlock Hospital, Mangalore, with injuries due to beating by the Police on the 24th February 1932; if so, whether their injurics and their condition were recorded in the accident register maintained in the hospital; a n d

(a) Duggappa Suvarna and two others were admitted in the Wenlock Hospital, Mangalore, on the 24th February, 19~~32~~, ~~with injuries said to have been caused by beating with sticks or canes;~~ their injuries were recorded in the accident register.

(b) whether the Hon'ble the Minister will be pleased to place a copy of the same on the table of the House with a statement from the District Medical Officer regarding the severity of the injuries inflicted and their approximate number?

(b) The accident register is a confidential document, and cannot be laid on the table. In the opinion of the District Medical Officer the injuries ~~on the patients~~ were not ~~of a~~ serious ~~nature~~.

Admission of picketers into the Wenlock Hospital, Mangalore, for injuries sustained.

1209 *Q.*—Mr. U. C. SUBRAHMANYA BHATT: Will the hon. the Minister for Local Self-Government be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether it is a fact that Duggappa Suvarna and other peaceful picketers were admitted into the Wenlock Hospital, Mangalore, with injuries due to beating by the Police on the 24th February 1932; if so, whether their injuries and their condition were recorded in the accident register maintained in the hospital; and

(*b*) whether the hon. the Minister will be pleased to place a copy of the same on the table of the House with a statement from the District Medical Officer, regarding the severity of the injuries inflicted and their approximate number?

A.—(*a*) Duggappa Suvarna and two others were admitted in the Wenlock Hospital, Mangalore, on the 24th February 1932. Their injuries were recorded in the accident register.

(*b*) The accident register is a confidential document and an extract from it cannot be laid on the table. In the opinion of the District Medical Officer the injuries were not serious.

Mr. U. C. SUBRAHMANYA BHATT:—" The Accident Register may be a confidential document, but what about the statement of the District Medical Officer ? Does it not say that the injuries were numerous and that they were serious ? "

The hon. Diwan Bahadur B. MUNISWAMI NAYUDU:—" We have not got the statement of the Medical Officer. We have the report of the Surgeon-General in which he says that in the opinion of the Superintendent of the hospital the injuries were not serious."

Mr. U. C. SUBRAHMANYA BHATT:—" Does not the Accident Register say that innumerable injuries were counted and they were of a serious nature ? "

The hon. Diwan Bahadur B. MUNISWAMI NAYUDU:—" I have said that the register itself is confidential. I am sorry I cannot give the information."

Mr. C. R. PARTHASARATHI AYYANGAR:—" What is the provision of law under which the Accident Register is considered confidential? "

The hon. Diwan Bahadur B. MUNISWAMI NAYUDU:—" Under the Civil Medical Code."

Mr. U. C. SUBRAHMANYA BHATT:—" Will the hon. Minister call for a statement from the Medical Officer and place it on the table of the House ? "

The hon. Diwan Bahadur B. MUNISWAMI NAYUDU:—" Yes, Sir, I shall consider the suggestion."

Mr. C. R. PARTHASARATHI AYYANGAR:—" May I know how the Civil Medical Code applies to this ? What is the provision of law under which the Accident Register is treated as confidential ? "

The hon. Diwan Bahadur B. MUNISWAMI NAYUDU:—" The register is maintained under the rules framed by the Government which are embodied in the Civil Medical Code. According to those rules, this register is a confidential document and extracts from it can be given only to Police officers."

Rao Bahadur T. A. RAMALINGAM CHETTIYAR:—" If the document can be produced in a court of law, how can it be called a confidential document ? "

The hon. Diwan Bahadur B. MUNISWAMI NAYUDU:—" The Government have rules for the purpose. Extracts from it will be given to a Police officer for the purposes of court."

Mr. C. R. PARTHASARATHI AYYANGAR:—" Under what provision of law is this considered to be a privileged document ? "

The hon. Diwan Bahadur B. MUNISWAMI NAYUDU:—" There is no question of privileged document. Under the rules, extracts can be given to a Police officer for the purposes of court. In that case there is no question of privileged document."

Rao Bahadur T. A. RAMALINGAM CHETTIYAR:—" Suppose the other side wants extracts ? "

The hon. Diwan Bahadur B. MUNISWAMI NAYUDU:—" I think they can get it through the court."

Rao Bahadur T. A. RAMALINGAM CHETTIYAR:—" Then, it would not be a confidential document."

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L.c. Qu. No. (1316) & 1209 re: the admission of certain pickeders into the Lowlock Hospital, Mangalore.

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Memo No. 9219. 2 D2 OOH 8/2532

An extract from the supplementary questions and answers relating to Qu. No. (1316) 1209 on the above subject, is communicated to the S.G. and he is requested to ~~furnish information on the point referred to at 'A'~~ obtain from the D.M.O. South Kanara a statement regarding the severity of the injuries caused to Duggappa Suvarna in two cases.

Dpd. Van Dpd. Dpr. initials. Date 13/5

To the S.G. (with an extract)

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SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT 15 JUN 1932 PUBLIC DEPARTMENT

Subject.

Legislative Council Question No.(1316) 1209 regarding the admission of certain picketers into Wenlock Hospital, Mangalore.

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Station Madras . *Dated the* 9th June 1932. ~~192~~ .

From (Name) Major-General C.A.Sprawson,C.I.E, V.H.S, I.M.S.,

(Designation) Surgeon-General with the Govt. of Madras.

To The Secretary to the Government of Madras,
Local Self-Government,
Public Health Department.

Sir,

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Reference:-Government Memorandum No.9219-2 D2 P.H., dated 12th May 1932.

A copy of letter No.Nil dated 2nd June 1932 of the Superintendent, Government Wenlock Hospital,Mangalore, furnishing his opinion in detail regarding the severity of the injuries caused to picketers Duggappa Suvarna and two others who were admitted into the Wenlock Hospital for treatment is herewith forwarded for the information of Government.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

C.A.Sprawson

Major-General,I.M.S.,
Surgeon-General with the Govt. of Madras.

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Copy of letter dated 2nd June 1932, from M.R.Ry R.Ganapathi Iyer Avl, L.M & S., Superintendent, Wenlock(District Head-quarters) Hospital, Mangalore, to the Personal Assistant to the Surgeon-General with the Government of Madras.

Reference :-Your letter Ref.No.790 H dated 19th May 1932.

Three picketers -Duggappa Suvarna, Babu, and Vaman Bhandary- were admitted on 24th February 1932.

Duggappa Suvarna and Babu had each about hundred injuries on them. But the injuries were not actually counted. In these cases although there is a possibility of one beating causing more than one injury, I consider the beating as very severe. Duggappa Suvarna was in a condition of shock on admission, but he recovered vary rapidly after the injections of saline etc. Both had ulcers formed over some of the beaten areas. They were discharged on 1st March 1932, and were asked to come as out-patients for treatment for the ulcers. I was informed later on that they got themselves admitted into a private nursing home here.

Vaman Bhandary had about 25 injuries. They were not severe. He was discharged on 1st March 1932.

Law Dept. III-8—3,000—30-7-29.

QUESTION.—No. 1316 for the meeting of the Legislative Council to be held on the 9. 3. 1932.

SUBMITTED that two copies of this Question may be forwarded to the L. S. G. Department.

SECRETARY TO C[illegible] The Question has been admitted.

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ASSISTANT SECRETARY TO GOVT. 19 MAR 1932 CHIEF SECT.

Memo No. 9219-1D2PH/32 dt 19.3.32 A draft answer is submitted for approval. It may be sent to Pub(Police) no. for acceptance.

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The file may be circulated to Hon. M. & C. for approval of the answer.

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A printed copy of the question and answer and of the supplementary questions and answers have been added to the file. With reference to 'A' of the supplementary questions and answers a draft memo is submitted for approval.

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The Sy. furnishes a Statement from the D.C. South Kanara regarding the condition of the three volunteers referred to. The information may be furnished if fresh notice is given. No further action seems called for The papers may be

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